

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) A method for producing the Tr1-like regulatory cells of claim 4, which method comprises energizing CD4⁺ CD25⁻ T cells by contacting the CD4⁺ CD25⁻ T cells with an anergic state inducing agent *ex vivo* ~~and~~ or *in vivo*.

10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9, wherein

(i) the anergic state inducing agent comprises CD4⁺ CD25⁺ T cells; or

(ii) the anergic state inducing agent is a substance or a mixture of substances mimicking the role of CD4⁺ CD25⁺ T cells.

11. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 10, wherein the anergic state inducing agent comprises CD4⁺ CD25⁺ T cells and said method comprises co-culturing the CD4⁺ CD25⁻ T cells with CD4⁺ CD25⁺ T cells.

12.-28. (Canceled)

29. (New) The method of claim 9, wherein said Tr1-like regulatory cells produce IL-10.

30. (New) The method of claim 29, wherein said Tr1-like regulatory cells inhibit the proliferation of syngeneic CD4⁺ T cells.